

HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Board Member Biographical Statements

Leilani Pulmano, Secretary, Island of Maui

Leilani Pulmano, holds a degree from the University of Hawaii's School of Travel Industry Management. This guided Leilani to a career in tourism with Hyatt Hotels and Resorts where she worked in several different cities before returning to Hawaii to work for Maui Land & Pineapple Company in Community Development. She is currently a Project Manager at Munekiyo & Hiraga.

Leilani is active in the community with Lahaina Bypass Now, an organization working towards transportation solutions, and Ka Ipu Kukui, an organization of upcoming leaders dedicated to improving Maui Nui.

Kalbert Young, Director, Dept. of Budget and Finance

Kalbert Young, Director of Finance of the Department of Budget and Finance, has been the Finance Director of Maui County since 2004. He previously worked at the Kapalua Land Co., the state Legislature, and at Kamehameha Schools, where he served in the government relations, budget and financial planning, and internal audit divisions. Mr. Young was Maui County's first small-business advocate, working in the Office of Economic Development, where he led the effort to establish the Maui County Business Resource Center & County Store at the Maui Mall in Kahului. He attended the University of Hawaii at Manoa, earning a Bachelor's degree in American history and a Master's degree of business administration.

Richard C. Lim, Director, Dept. of Business, Economic Development & Tourism

Richard Lim, Director of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, has over 30 years of experience in banking and financial services. Mr. Lim is a co-founder of Sennet Capital, a Hawaii-based merchant banking firm that provides assistance to Hawaii companies with respect to mergers and acquisitions, capital sourcing and strategic planning. Prior to founding Sennet Capital, he was the president and chief operating officer of City Bank. Mr. Lim has been an active member of the community and currently serves on the boards of the Hawaii Institute for Public Affairs, the Pacific Asian Affairs Council, the Hawaii Technology Development Venture, the Korean American Foundation and the board of governors of Chaminade University. Mr. Lim holds degrees from Santa Clara University and Chaminade University.

Michael Ng, Director, Office of the Governor

Michael Ng worked for the state House of Representatives Committee on Finance from 2003 to 2010 and was the Budget Chief for the last four years. Prior to that, Ng was Budget Analyst for the Senate Ways and Means Committee. An Iolani High School graduate, Ng received his Bachelor's degree in Engineering & Applied Science from California Institute of Technology.

Allan Los Banos, Jr., Director, Island of Oahu

Allan Los Banos, Jr. is currently the Safety Coordinator/Program Specialist for the Hawaii Masons & Plasterers Training Program, and is a Construction Instructor at Honolulu Community College. He has past experience as the Executive Director of the General Contractors Association, and as a consultant with BHP Environmental Technology International. He has been a board member of HMSA, the Masonry Institute of Hawaii and the Executive Board of the State Federation of AFL-CIO.

Mr. Los Banos previously served on the Board of Directors of the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii, and as Commissioner of the Hawaii Housing Authority, both predecessor agencies of the HHFDC

Rona Fukumoto, Interim Director, Private Non-Profit

Rona Fukumoto of Honolulu is currently division administrator for Catholic Charities Hawaii's Housing Assistance and Referral Programs, and is the nonprofit's former director of intake, information and referral. Prior to that, she worked her way up from employment specialist to vice president and director of employment and community programs at Winners at Work from 1995 to 2004. Fukumoto also served as an educational specialist and office assistant at UH Manoa's KOKUA Program. She currently volunteers as a member of the Catholic Charities Housing Development Corporation and Hawaii State Department of Human Services Financial Assistance Advisory Council, and is a former member of the Hawaii Parkinson Association. Fukumoto also volunteers for Project Dana, providing respite care through home visits to elderly individuals. She earned a bachelor's degree in English and a master's degree in public administration from UH Manoa.

Ed Taira, Interim Director, Island of Hawaii

Edwin Taira, a resident of Hilo, has more than 30 years of housing experience that includes management, program and development background. He previously served as housing administrator, assistant housing administrator and development division head for Hawaii County's Office of Housing and Community Development. While there, Taira gained experience with the U.S. Department of Labor Workforce Investment Act, along with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Section 8 and Community Development Block Grant programs. His development experience includes numerous affordable for sale and rental projects. Taira has served on the Hawaii Community Reinvestment Corporation and the Rental Housing Trust Fund Commission, and has been a private consultant for HHFDC and private developers. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration from UH Manoa.